

CY-FAIR ISD 2019-2020 U.I.L. Eligibility Grading Calendar

Grading Periods

September	13	Progress Report
October	4	<i>Initial UIL Eligibility Check</i>
October	11*	<i><u>Lose or Regain</u></i> * eligibility at end of the school day

*Students who were placed (not promoted) or who were ineligible due to insufficient credits are now eligible provided they are passing all courses.

First Grading Period

October	18	End of First Grading Period
October	25	<i><u>Lose or Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day
November	8	Progress Report
November	15	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day if passing all courses**
December	6	Progress Report
December	13	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day if passing all courses**

All students may compete November 22nd ESD –December 1st.

Second Grading Period

December	20	End of Second Grading Period
January	13	<i><u>Lose or Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day
January	24	Progress Report
January	31	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at end of the school day if passing all courses**

All students may compete December 20th ESD-January 5th.

February	14	Progress Report
February	21	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day if passing all courses**

Third Grading Period

March	6	End of Third Grading Period
March	23	<i><u>Lose or Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day
April	3	Progress Report
April	10	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at end of the school day if passing all courses**
April	24	Progress Report
May	1	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day if passing all courses**

All students may compete March 6th ESD-March 15th.

May	15	Progress Report
May	22	<i><u>Regain</u></i> eligibility at the end of the school day if passing all courses**

Note: Redo/retest grades and late work taken after the final day of a grading period or other formal evaluation period (eligibility check or progress report) do not impact eligibility. The grades on the eligibility check, progress report or report card are final grades for eligibility.

*Eligibility for UIL Participants for the First Grading Period

UIL participants are eligible to participate in contests during the *first six weeks* of the school year provided the following standards have been met:

- Students beginning **grade nine** and below must have been **promoted** from the previous grade prior to the beginning of the current school year. Please see the ninth grade eligibility chart.
- Students beginning their **second year of high school** must have earned **five credits** which count toward state high school graduation requirements.
- Students beginning their **third year of high school** either must have earned a total of **ten credits** which count towards state high school graduation credits or have earned a total of five credits which count toward state high school graduation requirements during the 12 months preceding the first day of the current school year.
- Students beginning their **fourth year of high school** either must have earned a total of **15 credits** which count toward state high school graduation credits or have earned a total of five credits which count toward state high school graduation requirements during the 12 months preceding the first day of the current school year.

❖ Exceptions:

- (a) When a migrant student enrolls for the first time during a school year, all criteria cited above applies. All other students who enroll too late to earn a passing grade for a grading period are ineligible.
- (b) High school students transferring from out-of-state may be eligible the first grading period of school if they meet the criteria cited above or school officials are able to determine that they would have been eligible if they had remained in the out-of-state school from which they are transferring.

Students who are not in compliance with these provisions may request a hardship appeal of their academic eligibility through the UIL state office.

Local school boards may elect to adopt these standards for all activities in order to avoid having different standards for student participants (e.g., football, drill team, cheerleading, and all other extracurricular activities as defined by Commissioner of Education rule [19 TAC Chapter §76]).

**Eligibility for UIL Participants Enrolled in Advanced (Waivable) Courses

- A student may use a waiver at the end of any grading period if he/she is failing one course that is on the list of advanced courses.
- A student may not use a waiver for the same course more than one time each semester.
- A student can only become ineligible at the eligibility check in October (the end of the first six weeks of school) and at each report card.
- A student using progress report grades to regain eligibility must be passing the course he/she was failing at the end of the previous grading period and all other non-waivable courses. The student may be failing multiple waivable classes at progress report time and still remain eligible. Students who do not gain eligibility through progress report grades must invoke a waiver to be eligible to participate.
- A student may use a waiver at the end of any grading period if he/she is failing **one** course that is on the list of advanced courses.
- Waivers only apply to grading period grades and the October eligibility check. A student may invoke a waiver any time after the end of the grading period. Students do not need to file a waiver if they use progress report grades to regain eligibility.

Example: A student fails a waivable course for the grading period. However, the student is not competing in an event until the last three weeks of the next grading period. So, the student chooses to wait for progress report grades to determine if he/she needs to use a waiver to participate in an event during the next three weeks.

- Redo/retest grades and late work taken after the final day of a grading period or formal evaluation period (progress report or eligibility check) do **not** impact eligibility. The grades on the eligibility check, progress report or report card are final grades for eligibility.